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Disposition of Claims		
4) ☐ Claim(s) 1-36 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) 10-14,17,18,23-30 and 5) ☐ Claim(s) 15,16 and 19-22 is/are allowed. 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1 and 3 is/are rejected. 7) ☐ Claim(s) 2 and 4-9 is/are objected to. 8) ☐ Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or		consideration.
Application Papers		
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) acce Applicant may not request that any objection to the of Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner	epted or b) objected to by the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. S on is required if the drawing(s) is o	ee 37 CFR 1.85(a). Objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119		
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents 2. Certified copies of the priority documents 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priori application from the International Bureau * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of	have been received. have been received in Applicative documents have been received in Applicative documents have been received (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	ation No ved in this National Stage
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Election/Restrictions

Applicant's election without traverse of claims 1-9, 15-16, 19-22 and 31 in the reply filed on Aug 19/2005 is acknowledged.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1, 3 and 31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Eguchi et al..

Eguchi et al., U.S. Patent No. 5712,507, discloses a semiconductor device mounted on a die pad. As shown in Figure 4, the lead frame 11 has multiple stages formed by slits in a die pad 11a. A plurality of leads 11b surround the stages and the stages are interconnected by areas between the slits that have elastically deforming abilities.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 15 – 16 and 19 – 20 are allowed.

In regard to claim 15 and 16, the prior art does not teach or suggest the recited lead frame with stages having a plurality of projecting elements.

In regard to claims 19 - 20, the prior art does not disclose that the interconnecting members have bent portions.

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Claims 2 and 4-9 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Yamaguchi, U.S. Patent No. 6,081,029 discloses a lead frame with improved reliability.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Roy K. Potter whose telephone number is 571 272 1842. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F.

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